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Re: PCIA Microwave Clearinghouse Semi-Annual
Report to the Commission

Dear Mr. Sugrue:

Enclosed is a copy of the PCIA Microwave Clearinghouse Semi-Annual Report to the Commission, which was filed with the Commission on February 1, 2001.

Very truly yours,



David E. Weisman

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In the Matter of the Semi-Annual)
Report of the PCIA Microwave)
Clearinghouse Regarding Operation) WT Docket No. 95-157
of Microwave Relocation Cost)
Sharing Clearinghouse)

PCIA MICROWAVE CLEARINGHOUSE
SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

The PCIA Microwave Clearinghouse ("the Clearinghouse") hereby submits its semi-annual report on its progress implementing the Federal Communications Commission's (the "Commission") microwave relocation cost sharing plan.¹

Clearinghouse Operations Since August 1, 2000

Since August 1, 2000, the Clearinghouse has registered 57 additional transmitter links from PCS licensees, for a total of 3,455 links registered since the Clearinghouse began its operation. In addition, in the past six month period, the Clearinghouse has received additional PCNs for 21,853 base stations, for a total of 134,633 PCNs received to date. Since operation began, the Clearinghouse has identified 2,650 cost-sharing obligations, requiring monies to be paid to parties who relocated those microwave links.

The Clearinghouse Board of Directors and the Technical Working Group have met on three separate occasions during the past six months. During the past six months, the Technical

¹See Memorandum Opinion and Order, WT Docket 95-157 at 22 (August 14, 1996).

Working Group has reviewed the impact of its payment obligations caused when there are six or more licensees who trigger and share in the cost-sharing formula. The Working Group has considered several procedural options to streamline the accounting and payment methodologies. The Working Group also began to explore the administrative costs incurred by later entrants when weighed against the fees to be charged by the Clearinghouse and the cost recovery dollars received. It was determined that the Working Group would continue to monitor the process as the sunset date for cost-sharing neared.

The Working Group also worked to develop suggested cost reimbursement guidelines setting forth possible classifications of costs which might arise in determining reimbursement obligations. Finally, the Working Group continued its upgrades to the Clearinghouse's software programs and moved to make available summary reports setting forth a history of a participant's cost-sharing obligations.

During the past six months, distributions to participants under the UTAM/PCIA Agreement to Share Costs of Relocating Certain Microwave Links Operating on Unlicensed PCS Frequencies continued and the Clearinghouse welcomed Mike Stima, the Executive Director of Utam, to membership on its Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,

PCIA MICROWAVE CLEARINGHOUSE

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